TEAMS Request Process Verification of 40 Quarters for Eligible Aliens

SSA 40 Quarters of Coverage Report - TS107204.1 May 14, 2003

Background

Food Stamp, TANF and Medicaid Policy require that the eligibility of certain alien applicants be evaluated according to 40 Qualifying Quarters of Work (QQW) rules for each program. A recent review of the TEAMS process to verify 40 QQW has revealed some confusion in the field about how the process works. It also revealed some system problems with the existing process.

In August 2002 distribution of the 40 QQW hard copy reports (TS107204.1) had been stopped in response to the budget crisis. In addition, some reports had been generated containing no data. Since reports in hard copy format are important to notify the requesting worker that a response has been received, they are once again being printed with accurate data and distributed.

This document is to provide information for Case Managers concerning the 40 QQW verification process and the reports it generates.

Requesting 40 Qualifying Quarters of Work

When Case Managers need to verify 40 QQW for individuals applying for assistance, they may request this verification electronically from the SSA within the TEAMS screen flow. The Residency/Citizenship/Identity (RECI) screen provides a field (SSA 40 Q) to initiate a State Verification and Exchange System (SVES) request to verify 40 QQW (see the screen print on page 2).

File Transfer Process

A nightly batch process gathers all 40 QQW requests from TEAMS, combining them with other SVES input data in a file that is transmitted to the Social Security Administration (SSA). Using this file, the SSA creates an output file that includes 40 QQW verification. The output file is transmitted back to Northrop Grumman, where it is processed to create the 40 QQW reports.

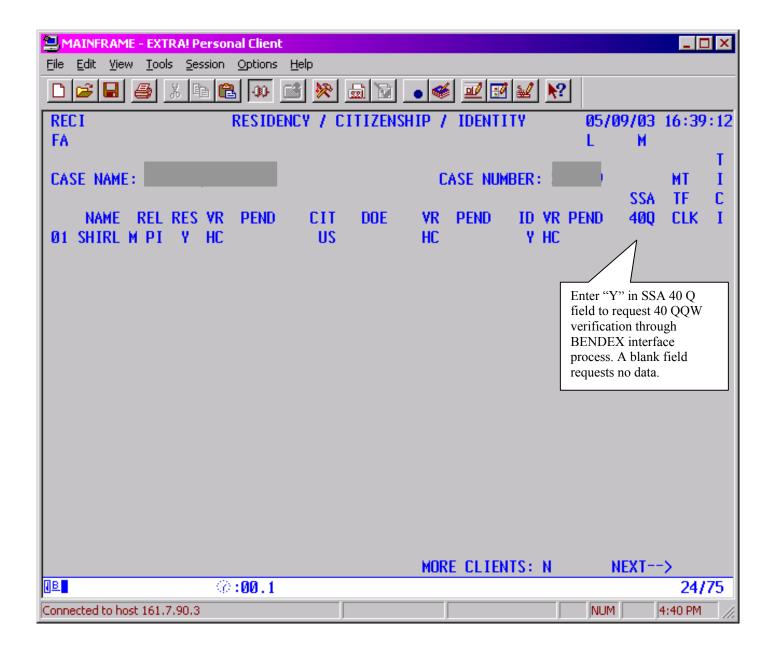
Note: 40 QQW information received from SSA is *not* posted anywhere in TEAMS. All verification is only displayed in the TS 107204.1 reports.

SSA 40 Quarters of Coverage Report – TS 107204.1

The reports created by the 40 QQW request process are printed in Hard Copy and distributed to the County/Worker to whom the case is assigned (see the report example on page 3). The reports are also available in the Report Distribution System (RDS) accessible by County Directors, Supervisors, and Regional Policy Specialists.

Turnaround Time for 40 QQA Requests

It takes approximately 2-3 days to receive a 40 QQW Report from the time the case manager enters the 40 QQW request into the RECI screen. Factors include weekends, holidays and the distance of the requesting county from Helena. Because the TS107204.1 reports are also posted to RDS, it may be possible to shorten the turnaround time by checking RDS instead of waiting for delivery of the hard copy report.



RPT NBR: TS107204.1/ CSTDTR14

STATE OF MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES THE ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

PAGE: 1 TIME: 18:07:09 DATE: 05/07/03

NONCOVERED - NO EARNINGS

SSA 40 QUARTERS OF COVERAGE REPORT

COUNTY: CASCADE WORKER NAME: JOHNSON, JIMMIE

COUNTY CASELOAD NUMBER: T07479

1994

1 2003

2 038

				40 QUARTERS COVERAGE DATA		
CASE	CLIENT TEAMS		STR	STR END END	TOT	
NBR CLIENT NAME	SSN ID	SSA RETURN CODE	YEAR	QTR YEAR QTR	QTR	COVERAGE DESCRIPTION
123456 BLOUNT, RUTH J	45678910 5678910		1937	1 1964 2	110	NONCOVERED - NO EARNINGS
			1964	3 1964 3	001	COVERED - WAGES
			1964	4 1967 4	013	NONCOVERED - NO EARNINGS
			1968	1 1968 1	001	QUESTIONABLE - 1952 THRU 1977
			1968	2 1970 1	008	NONCOVERED - NO EARNINGS
			1970	2 1970 2	001	QUESTIONABLE - 1952 THRU 1977
			1970	3 1971 2	004	NONCOVERED - NO EARNINGS
			1971	3 1971 4	002	COVERED - WAGES
			1972	1 1972 1	001	QUESTIONABLE - 1952 THRU 1977
			1972	2 1972 3	002	NONCOVERED - NO EARNINGS
			1972	4 1973 2	003	COVERED - WAGES
			1973	3 1973 3	001	NONCOVERED - NO EARNINGS
			1973	4 1974 3	004	COVERED - WAGES
			1974	4 1975 1	002	NONCOVERED - NO EARNINGS
			1975	2 1975 4	003	COVERED - WAGES
			1976	1 1977 2	006	NONCOVERED - NO EARNINGS
			1977	3 1977 3	001	COVERED - WAGES
			1977	4 1977 4	001	NONCOVERED - NO EARNINGS
			1978	1 1978 2	002	COVERED - WAGES
			1978	3 1978 4	002	NONCOVERED - NO EARNINGS
			1979	1 1980 1	005	COVERED - WAGES
			1980	2 1980 4	003	NONCOVERED - NO EARNINGS
			1981	1 1982 1	005	COVERED - WAGES
			1982	2 1983 4	007	NONCOVERED - NO EARNINGS
			1984	1 1993 4	040	COVERED - WAGES
			1004	1 2002	0.20	MONGOVERED NO ELBARGO